

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR UK BM IO

SUBJ: NOTIFICATION OF DIEGO GARCIA EXPANSION

REF: (A) STATE 22764; (B) STATE 19914; (C) STATE 22251

1. EMBOFF CALLED FEBRUARY 5 ON U BA MAUNG (DIRECTOR, MID-EAST/AFRICA DIVISION, FOREIGN MINISTRY) TO INFORM GUB OF DIEGO GARCIA EXPANSION, AND LEAVE AIDE-MEMOIRE BASED ON RATIONALE (REF B). U BA MAUNG EXPRESSED APPRECIATION BUT MADE NO SUBSTANTIVE COMMENTS, NOR DO WE EXPECT ANY FROM GUB. HE INQUIRED ABOUT OTHER LITTORAL AND NON-LITTORAL COUNTRIES SIMILARLY NOTIFIED, NATURE OF EXISTING DIEGO GARCIA FACILITIES, COMMAND ARRANGEMENTS, AND POSSIBILITY OF USE BY SUBMARINES. HE ALSO TOOK SPECIAL NOTE OF ALLUSION (REF B PARA 2) TO INCREASED SOVIET READINESS TO USE SHOWS OF FORCE TO INFLUENCE EVENTS WHERE MAJOR US INTERESTS ARE AT STAKE.

2. IN ADDITION TO FOLLOWING UP OUR APPROACH TO GUB, BRITISH EMBASSY HERE, PURSUANT TO INSTRUCTIONS FROM FCO, IS INFORMING ENTOURAGE OF PRIMIN WHITLAM WHO IS CURRENTLY VISITING RANGOON. LACEY

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